

the greatest satisfaction.

PORTISHEAD FLOWER SHOW.

It is gratifying to observe the spirited and unanimous manner in which the people of Portishead usually work for the prosperity of their rapidly increasing village, which, in many respects, promises well to eventually rival Clevedon. We now find them establishing a "A Floral and Horticultural Society," its first exhibition taking place on Tuesday last. Though the morning proved most unpropitious, there were many present, and about mid-day the sun shone forth resplendent, affording much brighter prospects for intending visitors. The show was held in a large field near the Church, kindly lent for the occasion by J. Fisher, Esq., J.P., whereon were erected three tents, the larger of which was gaily decorated with numerous flags. The show was extraordinary good, and every effort was made to ensure comfort and accommodation for visitors. In commenting on the produce exhibited, we will first allude to the supply from some of the head gardens in the neighbourhood, kindly lent, but not for competition.

From J. Fisher, Esq., Eldon Villa, Portishead.—gardener, Mr. Mayo.—First may be mentioned a handsome palm, *Cyras Novoluta*, which was very much admired. A large number of exceedingly fine *acacombas*; the *Clithra Borea*, or coffee plant; and a rare selection of geraniums besides other choice plants, amongst the latter being the globe *Hemeranthus*, *Arythrina Crystigalla*, *Rochia Falcata*, and a magnificent heath, known as *Tatraphylla Gricause*. In addition to flowers, there was a large quantity of fine fruit and vegetables, including grapes, necterns, peaches, plums, pears, apples, potatoes, peas, onions, carrots, turnips, &c. all of which appeared considerably out of the usual average as regards growth.